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1. HERewith FULL TEXT ROBERT KEATLEY PAGE FIVE BYLINER, WALL STREET JOURNAL, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, HEADED "U.S. TO USE LEVERAGE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA TO END MINORITY RULE, KISSINGER PLEDGES."
2. THE U.S. HAS MADE ITS STRONGEST PLEDGES YET TO HELP PUT GOVERNMENT IN THE HANDS OF THE BLACK MAJORITY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.
3. IN A POLICY SPEECH IN LUSAKA, ZAMBIA, SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER SAID THE U.S. WILL USE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC LEVERAGE TO END MINORITY WHITE GOVERNMENTS IN RHODESIA, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA DURING "A NEW ERA IN AMERICAN POLICY." THE SPEECH WAS STEP ONE TOWARD A MORE ACTIVE AND COHERENT POLICY TOWARD AFRICA, AN AREA OFTEN IGNORED BY WASHINGTON.

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4. WHETHER THIS WILL REPAIR AMERICA'S SOMEWHAT TATTERED IMAGE IN AFRICA REMAINS UNKNOWN. MANY AFRICAN LEADERS THINK THE U.S. HAS INDIRECTLY AIDED RACIST REGIMES IN THE PAST BY SUCH ACTIONS AS TRADING WITH THEM IN VIOLATION OF

UNITED NATIONS PROHIBITIONS. SOME ALSO ARE UPSET BY PAST U.S. INATTENTION; THEY CLAIM IT TOOK CUBAN TROOPS AND SOVIET INVOLVEMENT IN ANGOLA TO GET MR. KISSINGER TO PAY ATTENTION TO THEIR PROBLEMS, AND THEY SUSPECT HE CURRENTLY IS DOING SO MAINLY BECAUSE OF THIS SUPERPOWER CONFRONTATION.

5. MR. KISSINGER NOTED THIS CRITICISM IN HIS SPEECH, WHICH WAS MADE AVAILABLE HERE. "THERE IS NOTHING TO BE GAINED IN A DEBATE ABOUT WHETHER IN THE PAST AMERICA HAS NEGLECTED AFRICA OR BEEN INSUFFICIENTLY COMMITTED TO AFRICAN GOALS," HE SAID, ADDING THAT WHAT IS NEEDED "IS A CONCRETE PROGRAM" OF JOINT ACTION.

6. HIS MOST SPECIFIC PLEDGES CONCERNED RHODESIA, WHERE A WHITE-MINORITY REGIME REPRESENTING ABOUT 270,000 PEOPLE RULES MORE THAN SIX MILLION BLACKS. THE SECRETARY OUTLINED A 10-POINT U.S. PROGRAM TOWARD RHODESIA. INCLUDED WERE:

--STRONG SUPPORT FOR A BRITISH PLAN THAT WOULD TRANSFER POLITICAL POWER TO BLACKS WITHIN TWO YEARS. HE WARNED THE WHITE RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT THAT IT "WILL FACE OUR UNRELENTING OPPOSITION UNTIL A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT IS ACHIEVED."

--REPEAL OF THE BYRD AMENDMENT. THIS REFERS TO A U.S. LAW THAT LETS AMERICANS BUY CHROME AND OTHER MATERIALS FROM RHODESIA DESPITE A U.N. BOYCOTT. MR. KISSINGER SAID THE FORD ADMINISTRATION WILL SEEK REPEAL, SOMETHING IT HAS LONG FAVORED BUT NEVER SOUGHT STRENUOUSLY.

--AID TO MOZAMBIQUE. THIS RHODESIAN NEIGHBOR HAS SUFFERED ECONOMICALLY BECAUSE IT SEVERED RAIL AND ROAD LINKS WITH RHODESIA FOR POLITICAL REASONS. MR. KISSINGER SAID THE U.S. WILL SOON PROVIDE MOZAMBIQUE WITH \$12.5 MILLION AS PART OF AN INTERNATIONAL AID PROGRAM. HE ALSO UNCLASSIFIED

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PROMISED UNSPECIFIED ASSISTANCE TO OTHER NATIONS THAT HAVE SUFFERED BECAUSE THEY CLOSED THEIR FRONTIERS WITH RHODESIA; THIS WOULD INCLUDE ZAMBIA.

7. "THE U.S. IS WHOLLY COMMITTED TO HELPING BRING ABOUT A RAPID, JUST AND AFRICAN SOLUTION TO THE ISSUE OF RHODESIA," MR. KISSINGER SAID.

8. TURNING TO NAMIBIA, A U.N. MANDATED TERRITORY KNOWN AS SOUTH WEST AFRICA, THE SECRETARY ALSO PROMOSED AMERICAN AID FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MAJORITY RULE THERE. IT IS CURRENTLY MANAGED BY SOUTH AFRICA IN VIOLATION OF U.N. ORDERS AND INTERNATIONAL LAW, ALTHOUGH SOUTH AFRICA HAS BEGUN A PROGRAM TO GIVE SOME POLITICAL POWER TO MODERATE BLACKS IN THE TERRITORY.

9. BUT MANY AFRICANS CONSIDER THIS EFFORT PHONY, DESIGNED TO CREATE A PUPPET STATE AS A BUFFER BETWEEN RACIST SOUTH AFRICA AND MILITANT BLACK NATIONS. MR. KISSINGER SEEMED TO AGREE, AT LEAST IN PART.

10. "...WE ARE CONCERNED THAT SOUTH AFRICA HAS FAILED TO ANNOUNCE A DEFINITE TIMETABLE FOR THE ACHIEVEMENT OF SELF-DETERMINATION, THAT ALL THE PEOPLE AND ALL POLITICAL GROUPINGS OF NAMIBIA HAVEN'T BEEN ALLOWED TO TAKE PART IN DETERMINING THE FORM OF GOVERNMENT THEY SHALL ONE DAY HAVE, AND THAT SOUTH AFRICA CONTINUES TO DENY THE UNITED NATIONS ITS PROPER ROLE IN ESTABLISHING A FREE AND INDEPENDENT NAMIBIA," MR. KISSINGER COMPLAINED.

11. HE CALLED UPON SOUTH AFRICA TO MOVE MORE QUICKLY TOWARD SELF-RULE FOR NAMIBIA, AND SAID THE U.S. WOULD END ITS PROHIBITIONS AGAINST AMERICAN INVESTMENT THERE ONCE AN ACCEPTABLE PROCESS IS UNDER WAY. HE ALSO PROMISED ECONOMIC AID IF NAMIBIA BECOMES INDEPENDENT.

12. OVERALL, IN FACT, MR. KISSINGER SAID THE U.S. WILL TRIPLE ITS TOTAL DEVELOPMENT AID TO SOUTHERN AND CENTRAL AFRICA DURING THE NEXT THREE YEARS. ACCORDING TO A STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN, THE CURRENT TOTAL IS ABOUT \$25 MILLION.

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13. PREDICTABLY, THE SECRETARY HAD LESS TO SAY ABOUT SOUTH AFRICA ITSELF.

14. HE REPEATED A CALL FOR FASTER PROGRESS TOWARD RACIAL EQUALITY AND SAID THE "INSTITUTIONALIZED SEPARATION OF THE - RACES MUST END." THIS REFERS TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN POLICY OF APARTHEID, WHICH KEEPS BLACKS IN A TIGHTLY REGULATED SECONDARY STATUS WITHIN THE COUNTRY. MR. KISSINGER WARNED WHITE RULERS TO "HEED THE WARNING SIGNALS OF THE PAST TWO YEARS" AND END THE PRACTICE BEFORE VIOLENT CONSEQUENCES RESULT.

15. "THE U.S. WILL EXERCISE ALL ITS EFFORTS IN THAT DIRECTION," HE SAID, BUT HE DIDN'T OFFER ANY SPECIFICS.

16. MANY AFRICAN LEADERS WANT THE U.S. TO APPLY ECONOMIC  
SANCTIONS SO SOUTH AFRICA MIGHT CHANGE ITS WAYS, BUT THIS  
APPARENTLY WON'T HAPPEN SOON, IF EVER. DIRECT U.S. IN-  
VESTMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA EXCEEDS \$1 BILLION. AS A RESULT,  
MANY OF THE LEADERS MR. KISSINGER WILL MEET DURING HIS  
CURRENT AFRICAN TOUR MAY REMAIN UNHAPPY ABOUT AMERICAN  
POLICY TOWARD THE NATION THEY CONSIDER THEIR CHIEF ENEMY.  
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